Superfund Remedial Branch Chiefs Conference Call Agenda Tuesday, November 8, 2016 * 2:00 to 3:30 pm ET Call 1 866 299 3188, code 2158143123

Roll Call and Announcements – 5 minutes

Poll of Regions – 5 minutes

Cami Grandinetti, R10

Question:

Are there any regions who are hiring entry level (GS-7 or 9) engineers or scientists through the Pathways (or other) program where they are using a "generic" 819/1301/401 PD rather than the "standard" RPM PD? If so, are they using a full performance level of a GS-12 or 13?

Update on the TI Workplanning Process – 5 minutes

Mike Scozzafava, OSRTI

Purpose: Provide an update on the TI workplanning process.

Update on PFOA/PFOS Issue – 10-15 minutes

Mike Scozzafava, OSRTI

Purpose: Provide update on the PFOA/PFOS discussions regarding efforts to update the RSL/RML tables.

Update on Lead Policy – 5 minutes

Mike Scozzafava, OSTRI

Purpose: Provide update for Regions as requested.

Update on 108(b) Resource Estimate Data Request – 5-10 minutes Larry Zaragoza, OSTRI

Purpose: The exercise is a result of a question from OMB that we provide a good estimate of our FY18 resource need to implement the CERCLA 108(b) rule. By statute, the rule requires financial assurance for operating facilities that could later require cleanup under Superfund. This request has a short turn around and so we wanted to be sure that regions know who they can contact for questions.

Draft Superfund State Contracts Closeout Tools – 10 minutes

Ellyn Fine, OSRTI/ARD

Purpose: Inform BCs about tools prior to Jim Woolford issuance as corrective action to OIG Audit.

Attachments:

Final Financial Reconciliation Checklist
Final Financial Reconciliation Spreadsheet
Nov Draft Administrative Closure amendment
Nov Draft SSC Conclusion amendment

Update Site Data Summit – 5-10 minutes

Marc Greenberg, ERT & Melanie Hoff, OSRTI

Purpose: Provide an update on the efforts to hold a Data Summit.

Discussion and Poll of Regions – 20 minutes

Linda Dietz, R3 and Peter Ludzia, R3

Purpose: The State of VA has approached Region 3 and HQs in an attempt to realize efficiencies by applying for single Site wide Superfund cooperative agreements and tracking/reporting cost by OU and Site activity. Currently Region 3's practice is to award cooperative agreements per Site, OU and Site activity. Region 3 would like to determine how other Region's currently award and track Superfund Site state cooperative agreements with a follow-up question as to how the costs under the cooperative agreements are handled for cost recovery purposes. The responses will assist the Region in formulating a response to VA's request.

Next Call – December 13, 2016